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#### For Health Care Providers

CMS guidance has made it very clear that May 23, 2007 was the final deadline for covered entities, other than small plans, to comply with HIPAA's NPI provisions. However, with consideration of current challenges nationally, CMS/OESS outlined its relaxed approach to enforcement of HIPAA's NPI provisions. Through May 23, 2008 CMS/OESS will not impose penalties on covered entities that deploy contingency plans if they have made reasonable and diligent efforts to become compliant and, in the case of health plans, to facilitate the compliance of their trading partners. With this in mind AHCCCS has elected to deploy an NPI contingency plan effective immediately. The details of this plan may be found on the [AHCCCS NPI webpage](#).

### NEWS

#### 2006 Survey of Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System Providers

The survey is an important tool to get a sense of how health plans are relating to their provider customer base. The results can be used to provide a foundation to build on for future communication and improvements in how to conduct our business. [Details](#)

### WELCOME



**AHCCCS Director  
Anthony D. Rodgers**

Welcome to the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System. Our mission is to provide comprehensive, quality health care to those in need. I hope you find this Web site provides you with easy access to information about the agency, its programs and services.

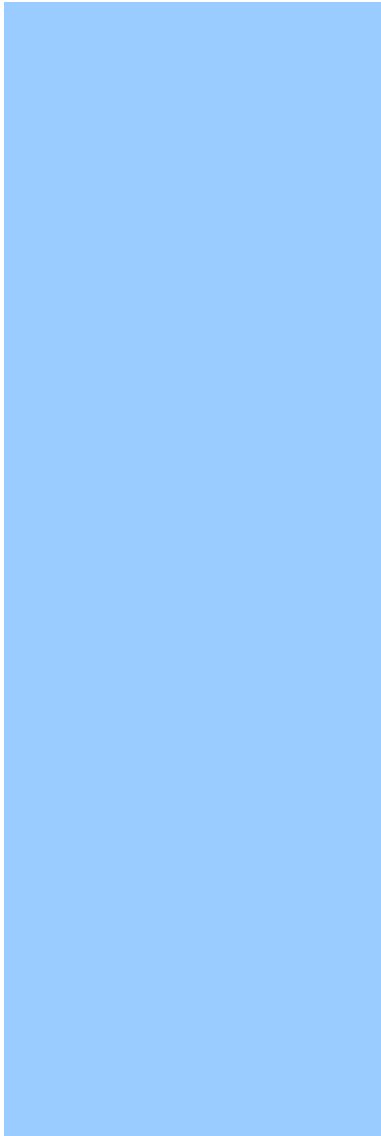
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### LEGAL NOTICES

#### Padilla v. Rodgers

This lawsuit was filed to require AHCCCS to provide emergency dialysis services to members covered under the Federal Emergency Services (FES) program. [\[English Details\]](#)

Esta acción legal fue sometida para requerir que AHCCCS proporcionará servicios de diálisis de



#### AHCCCS 2006 Member Satisfaction Survey

This survey was sponsored by the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) to determine members' ratings of and experiences with the medical care they received.

[Details](#)

#### New Family Income Levels for KidsCare Parents

New income limits are in effect for families with parents receiving health insurance under AHCCCS Health Insurance for Parents, the AHCCCS program for parents who do not qualify for Medicaid, starting April 1, 2007. [Details](#), [Detalles](#)

emergencia a miembros que son cubiertos por el programa de Servicios Federales de Emergencia (FES). [\[Detalles en Espanol\]](#)

#### Ekloff vs. Rodgers

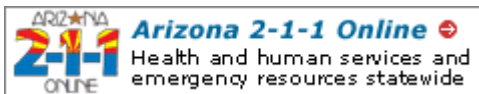
The Consent Decree in the Ekloff vs. Rodgers litigation regarding incontinence briefs (diapers) was signed in November 2006. As a result of this settlement, AHCCCS will cover incontinence briefs (diapers) for AHCCCS members over 3 years and under age 21 who are incontinent (not in control of bodily wastes) due to their disabilities. [\[Details in English\]](#)

El Decreto por Consentimiento en el litigio correspondiente los calzoncillos para incontinencia (pañales) fue firmado en noviembre del año 2006. Como resultado de este acuerdo, AHCCCS cubrirá el costo de los calzoncillos para incontinencia (pañales) para los miembros de AHCCCS de más de 3 años y menos de 21 años de edad que sean incontinentes (sin control de su organismo) por causa de sus incapacidades. [\[Detalles en Espanol\]](#)



*Governor Janet Napolitano*

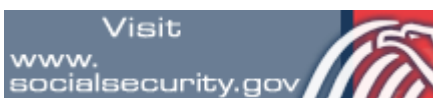
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